

TELEMEDIA DEPARTMENT

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From: Brian Dorrington

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Re: Telemedia Department FY 23, Budget Summary

The Telemedia Department operates and oversees the Town the Tewksbury's three PEG channels and supports the Town's A/V infrastructure. Providing education, transparency, entertainment and freedom of artistic expression are our guiding principles. We do this by producing in-house hyperlocal media and by providing access, assistance and equipment to residents so they can create their own media.

Our top priority for this upcoming fiscal year is to upgrade our Town Hall audio and video system in order to create higher quality broadcasts and improve workflow for government meetings. Existing equipment is beginning to show signs of failure and much of our current technology is outdated. Replacing our old and failing equipment with new, state of art products, will provide residents with an enhanced at home viewing experience.

In addition to improving resident viewing experience via TV or computer, we would also like to upgrade the in-person meeting experience for attendees and board members. Our goal is to take advantage of emerging technologies in order to improve the efficiency and accessibility of in-person meetings. This includes adding surround sound speakers, replacing our outdated Crestron room control system, upgrading our projectors and various other technological upgrades and improvements.

With this budget I aim to offer a financially responsible plan that will continue to support the high level of service we strive to provide the residents of Tewksbury. I look forward to working together to create a budget that achieves the goals laid out by this administration.

Sincerely,

Brian Dorrington Director, Telemedia Department